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NORTON, Roger B.

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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 11/29/73

FULL NAME Roger B. Norton  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)  
ADDRESS General Knox Rd.  
CITY Woronoco STATE Ma ZIP CODE 01097  
AGE 34 (This is important and should be exact) 3/17/1940  
APPROXIMATE AGE \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)  
RELIGION catholic NATIONALITY american  
OCCUPATION none  
EDUCATION Springfield College graduate with Master's Degree  
WEIGHT 170 COLOR ~~black~~ white HEIGHT 6 ft.  
COLOR OF HAIR brown COLOR OF EYES brown  
OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_  
MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN none  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)  
WIFE'S NAME none

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
			<u>x prog. dir.</u>	<u>3/1963</u>	<u>7/22/73</u>

SPECIAL RECOGNITION \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

arrested on morals charges concerning boys under 14.

Signed

Russell G. Esley  
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Pioneer Valley

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# PIONEER VALLEY COUNCIL, INC.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

861 MEADOW STREET CHICOPEE, MASS. 01013

Telephone: (413) 594-9196

September 12, 1990

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Registration Division  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P. O. Box 152079  
Irving, Texas

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is a police circular that recently was given to me regarding Roger B. Norton, a former professional employer for this council.

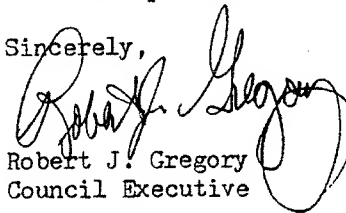
He was terminated over 10 years ago for the same cause as listed on the enclosed circular, ie child sexual abuse.

Please add this to his "confidential" file. As far as I know this is a current warrent by the Springfield Police and Massachusetts State Police.

It is my understanding that Mr. Norton resides somewhere in Connecticut, but it is rumored that he visits this area because of business and family. Mr. Norton's mother and father live in the Springfield area.

He is not affiliated and has not been affiliated with this council since his initial conviction many years ago. However, as you can see he is apparently still in the area and continues to have his "problem".

Sincerely,



Robert J. Gregory  
Council Executive

RJG/nm

cc: B. Woike

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ROGER B. NORTON  
D.O.B. 3-17-40  
S.S. [REDACTED]  
W/M 71" 165lbs.  
Fair Comp. & Balding  
Moustache & Goatee

NCIC Ref. W2533669  
Warrant # W8923CR6419  
Rape Child Sodomy Fel.  
Will Rendite  
Contact Spfld PD or  
Mass. SP. at  
413-787-6355 or  
413-736-8390  
Det. T. Dreyer or  
Trpr. S. Moeman  
(VICTIM [REDACTED])

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November 28, 1973

Mr. Russell G. Exley  
Scout Executive  
Pioneer Valley Council, No.234

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Roger B. Norton

Dear Mr. Exley:

We are in receipt of a newspaper clipping and copy of the separation notice of Roger B. Norton, Program Director, and have been advised to place him on our Confidential File.

We do, however, need more substantiating information that will support our placing this man on the confidential file. Please send us a more detailed letter concerning the facts in this case and also we would appreciate a copy of the police or court record. This information is most important for future reference purposes and it would certainly strengthen our position of refusing to accept any future application for registration we might receive from this individual.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would appreciate your filling out and returning to us, as soon as possible with the above requested material.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Executive  
Registration and Subscription

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Encl.

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AND CHARGE OF MISDEMEANOR

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December 26, 1973

Mrs. Charlotte VanDeursen  
NATIONAL COUNCIL, B.S.A.  
SUM #0106

Dear Charlotte:

Enclosed please find additional clipping on Roger  
Norton which should be added to his file.

Sincerely,

Wayne L. Nelson  
Director of Manpower  
Northeast Region, B.S.A.

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## Ex-Scouter Faces Trial In Sex Case

A former Boy Scout camp director indicted on charges of sexual misconduct will stand trial Jan. 14 in Hampden County Superior Court.

Roger Norton, 33, former head of the Horace M. S. Boy Scout Reservation at Russell, is charged with counts each of unnatural and lascivious act on a child under 16, contributing to delinquency of a minor and being a lewd and lascivious person.

The secret grand jury indictments also charge him with seven counts of indecent assault and battery on a child under 16 and 10 counts of sodomy.

All the charges against Norton were General Ken Road, Russell, dated from February 1, 1972. All reportedly involve boys.

Norton pleaded innocent to the 33 charges Nov. 26.

*Handwritten initials*

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December 5, 1973

Mr. Russell G. Exley  
Scout Executive  
Pioneer Valley Council, No.234

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Roger B. Norton(Prof.)

Dear Mr. Exley:

Thank you for the confidential record sheet concerning  
Roger B. Norton. We have added this information to our file.  
This will be most helpful for identification purposes in the  
future, should he again try to register in Scouting.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Executive  
Registration and Subscription

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# Pioneer Valley Council, Inc.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

NORTHEAST REGION

TEEN THIRTY-NINE RIVERDALE STREET

Telephone 737-0204

WEST SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS 01089

November 27, 1973

Mr. Wayne Nelson, Personnel Director  
Boy Scouts of America, Regional Office, N.E.  
P. O. Box 1976  
Madison, New Jersey 07940

Dear Mr. Nelson:

I am enclosing two more clippings from our local papers. One appeared in the Daily News last night and the other in the Union this morning.

I will keep you informed as matters develop.

Sincerely,

*T. M. Collins*

T. M. Collins  
Program Director

TMC/jv

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PERSONNEL DEPT.

Insure a better future by remembering Boy Scouts in your Will - Trust Funds or Tribute Fund.

A MEMBER AGENCY OF:

PIONEER VALLEY UNITED FUND, INC., UNITED FUND OF HOLYOKE, CHICOPEE COMMUNITY CHEST, PALMER COMMUNITY CHEST  
SERVING THE TOWNS OF:

AGAWAM  
BLANDFORD  
BRIMFIELD

CHESTER  
CHICOPEE  
EAST LONGMEADOW

GRANVILLE  
HAMPOEN  
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HUNTINGTON  
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## NORTON PLEADS INNOCENT

Former Boy Scout camp director Roger Norton of Russell pleaded innocent in Hampden County Superior Court Monday to 55 secret grand jury indictments charging him with sexual misconduct.

Norton, 33, of General Knox Road, who formerly headed the Horace Moses

Boy Scout Reservation in Russell, denied 16 counts each of unnatural and lascivious act on a child under 16, contributing to the delinquency of a minor and being a lewd and lascivious person.

He also pleaded innocent to seven charges of indecent assault and battery on a

child under 14 and one charge of sodomy. All 55 charges, which date from February, 1972, reportedly involved boys.

He was released on personal recognizance by Judge Kent B. Smith, who continued the case to Dec. 17 for pretrial motions.

## Ex-Camp Head Denies Guilt In Sex Cases

The former director of the Horace Moses Boy Scout Reservation in Russell pleaded innocent today in Hampden County Superior Court to 55 secret indictments of sexual misconduct, which were returned by the Grand Jury last week.

Roger Norton, 33, of General Knox Road, Russell, denied 16 charges of unnatural and lascivious act on a child under 16, 16 charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, 16 charges of being a lewd and lascivious person, seven charges of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14 and one charge of sodomy.

Judge Kent B. Smith continued the case to Dec. 17 and released him on personal recognizance at the request of his lawyer, Atty. John H. McCarthy. Pretrial motions in the case will be heard Dec. 17.

### Involved Boys

The alleged offenses occurred in Russell and date from February 1972. Court officials said that all involved boys.

Norton was originally arrested on a series of charges in July. Officials at the Pioneer Valley Boy Scout Council said Norton resigned after his arrest.

State Police Officer Kevin Murphy investigated the case, joined by members of Dist. Atty. Matthew J. Ryan Jr.'s staff.

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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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October 29, 1973

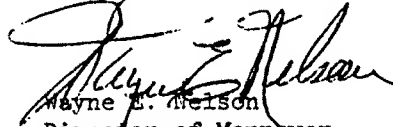
Mrs. Charlotte Van Deursen  
Manpower Service  
NATIONAL COUNCIL, B.S.A.  
No. Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. VanDeursen:

This is to complete the Separation Notice for Roger E. Norton, from the Pioneer Valley Council, No. 234, West Springfield, Massachusetts. This was sent to me by Tim Collins who is the Program Director of the Pioneer Valley Council.

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Sincerely yours,

  
Wayne E. Nelson  
Director of Manpower  
Northeast Region, B.S.A.

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### Grand Jury Gets Morals Case

WESTFIELD — Roger E. Norton, 33, of General Knox Road, Woronoco, former resident director of the Hôpital de la Mosse Scout Reservation in Russell, was found probably guilty on a series of morals complaints in District Court today. State Police from Russell barracks prosecuted the case, which reportedly involved a number of youths. The offenses date from February 1972. The scheduled hearing will result in the case going to the Grand Jury.

*for more info*

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1101 Avenue of the Americas New Jersey 07002-2011 201 6000

8/14

To: Paul Ernst

Hold for  
further follow up.

Mr. Ernst.  
Still no more  
info. on this  
by 10/10/73  
10/14/73  
ACK CHARLOTTE

For more info -  
per Charlotte 10/11/73  
hold for now  
then try  
CHARLOTTE VAN DEURSEN

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# SEPARATION NOTICE

**URGENT!** Please mail two copies to regional office immediately after decision/agreement is reached.

Date 8/6/73

Region NE Council No. 234 Headquarter's city West Springfield, Ma

## WE HAVE RECEIVED THE RESIGNATION OF

Name Roger B. Norton Title Program Director District No. N.E.

Current home address General Knox Rd. Woronoco, Ma 01097

Date off payroll June 29, 1973 Current salary 10,080. Position classification 4

### Reason for separation:

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Promotion or transfer | <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Military service | <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Work unsatisfactory           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Returned to school    | <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Health (explain) | <input type="checkbox"/> 8. <u>arrested morals charge</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Died or retired       | <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Another job      |   |

He should ☐ should not ☒ be placed in transition.

He should ☐ should not ☒ have consideration for reemployment at a future date.

If reason for separation was No. 5, 6, 7, or 8, please answer the following questions.

Was he doing a satisfactory job? Explain yes, see above

Was he lacking in ability? Explain no

Was he lacking in motivation? Explain no

Was he getting adequate guidance and supervision? Explain yes

What in your opinion was the basic reason he left Scouting? obvious

Regional Comments: No further consideration

To be given!

Signature [Signature] Title Dir. B. Springfield Date 8-9-73

This resignation creates a vacancy ☒

The position held by this man has been dropped ☐

We would prefer: ☐ a new man ☐ an experienced man. held to appropriate time

Is this a matching funds position? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Salary range council is prepared to pay \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Scout executive's signature Russell G. Eley Date 8/6/73

No. 307307

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